

### **REMARKS**

The claims have been amended in order to more completely describe and distinctly claim the invention and to overcome the various grounds of rejection set forth in the Official Letter. Inasmuch as no new matter is embodied by the proposed amendments, entry thereof is respectfully requested.

The Examiner's objections to the specification and claim 20 set forth at page 3 of the Official Letter are believed to be overcome by the above amendments whereby the Examiner's suggestions have been implemented. Accordingly, withdrawal of these grounds of objection is respectfully requested.

The rejection of the claims under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the invention, is believed to be obviated by the above amendments, whereby, claims 32, 33 and 35 have been amended to provide proper antecedent support therefore in claim 20 by deleting from each claim, the term, "resulting". In addition, the parentheses have been removed from line 2 of claim 49, thereby making it clear that the percentage bases are, indeed, claim limitations. Accordingly, withdrawal of this ground of rejection is respectfully requested.

The indication of allowable subject matter by the Examiner is gratefully acknowledged. By the above amendment applicant has sought to render the claims free from the rejections set forth in the previous Office action. In addition, applicant submits herewith a corrected Fig. 1, as requested by the Examiner.

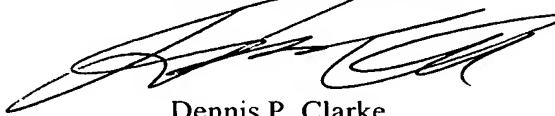
The rejoining of Groups III and V by the Examiner to the elected invention is gratefully acknowledged. The Examiner is respectfully requested to further consider rejoining claims 1-19 and 44-46.

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Applicants have earnestly endeavored to place this application in condition for allowance and an early action to that end is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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